



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Region X-Northern Mindanao

DIVISION OF MALAYBALAY CITY

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March 17, 2015

DIVISION MEMORANDUM


No. 015

s. 2015

TO : **Education Program Supervisors
Division Coordinators
Public Schools District Supervisors
School Heads (Elementary and Secondary)
Section Heads and Staff
All Others Concerned**

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FROM : 
EDILBERTO L. OPLENARIA
Schools Division Superintendent

RE : **COMPLIANCE TO DEPED ORDER NO. 3, 2015 RE: 2015 GRADUATION RITES**

1. For information and guidance of all concerned, this Office hereby reiterates strict compliance of the herein DepEd Order No. 3, 2015 re: 2015 Graduation Rites which was earlier disseminated through Division Memorandum dated March 3, 2015.
2. Further, it is informed that transcription of the complaints/issues against some schools sent through SMS to the Radio Program "Isumbong Mo Kang Governor" of Hon. Jose Ma. R. Zubiri, Jr. of the Province of Bukidnon had reached to this Office for appropriate action.
3. Consistent to DepEd Order No. 3, s. 2015, this Office reiterates the following policies:
 - a. Graduation rites should be simple but meaningful affairs which encourage civil rights, a sense of community, and personal responsibilities. While these rites mark a milestone in the life of the graduates, these should be conducted without excessive spending, extravagant attire, or extraordinary venue;
 - b. Non-academic projects such as but not limited to attendance to field trips, film showing, Junior/Senior (JS) Promenade and other school events **should not be imposed as requirements for graduation;**



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- c. Expenses relative to the Graduation Rites should be charged to the school Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) under the 2015 Budget;
 - d. Any DepEd personnel **should not be allowed to collect any graduation fees or any kind of contribution;**
 - e. Parent-Teachers Associations (PTAs) may give donations in cash or in kind; and,
 - f. Contribution for the annual yearbook, if any, should be on a **voluntary basis.**
4. In adherence thereto, the policy on contribution and expenses on food preparation is **strongly discouraged** and graduation expenses shall be charged to the school MOOE. Hence, failure to comply with this policy shall be dealt with accordingly.
5. For strict compliance.

Encl:

As stated

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Records Section

Hon. Jose Ma. R. Zubiri – Provincial Governor of Bukidnon



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education

26 FEB 2015

DepEd ORDER
No. **3**, s. 2015

2015 GRADUATION RITES

To: Bureau Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. The **2015 Graduation Rites** shall focus on the theme *Saktong Buhay: Sa De-kalidad na Edukasyon Pinanday*. This theme highlights the importance of quality education in forging a decent future for Filipino Youth. It emphasizes the commitment of the Department of Education (DepEd) to hone the 21st century skills among Filipino graduates in order for them to actualize their life goals and dreams not only for themselves but also for the less fortunate.
2. The Graduation Rites should be scheduled either on March 26 or 27, 2015. For schools divisions or regions whose school year has been extended, all concerned shall be guided respectively by their revised school calendar.
3. In line with the government's austerity program, this Department reiterates the following policies:
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4. Further, the Graduation Rites should be conducted in an appropriate solemn ceremony befitting the graduating pupils and students and their parents and **shall not be used as a political forum.**

5. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is directed.



BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO FSC
Secretary

References:

DepEd Order: Nos. 9 and 18, s. 2014; 9 and 10, s. 2013

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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